

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

December 30, 2015

Mr. Tim Oknefski ARG Resources, Inc. 285 Custom Lumber Lane Kane, PA 16735

Re: MI failure and fix - PAS2R208CELK - Kane Water Flood Woodward #011, API 37-047-23153

Dear Mr. Oknefski:

The demonstration and maintenance of a well's mechanical integrity is one of the primary regulatory controls imposed by the UIC program. The owner/operator of an injection well is responsible for ensuring that the well is operated with mechanical integrity. A well is considered to have integrity if there is no significant leak in the casing, tubing and packer, and there is no significant fluid movement into an Underground Source of Drinking Water through vertical channels adjacent to the injection well bore. Any failure in well mechanical integrity is a violation of the UIC program requirements at 40 CFR Parts 144.12, 144.28 (g)(2)(iv)(A) and 146.8 and requires prompt action. The well must be immediately shut in and injection cannot resume until corrective action has been completed and a successful mechanical integrity test has been conducted.

You have provided this office with the required 24 hour verbal notification and the 5 day written notification that the well stated above failed mechanical integrity on November 23, 2015, and was shut in. You also notified us that on November 25, 2015 the well was fixed and passed a mechanical integrity test. We have updated our records to reflect the break, fix, and successful MIT test.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, contact Grant Scavello at (215) 814-5498.

Sincerely,

Karen D. Johnson, Chief

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Ground Water and Enforcement Branch

cc: David Rectenwald